PRASAD YADAV): (a) Sugar production upto 31st January, 1997 during the current season 1996-97 in the country as a whole was 55.17 lakh tonnes out of which the production in Punjab State was 2.14 lakh tonnes.

(b) There has been no increase in the sugar production in the current financial year (upto 15.2.1997) in comparison with the previous year.

(c) Sugar production in Punjab during the sugar seasons (October-September) 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 was 3.11 lakhs tonnes, 3.19 lakh tonnes and 6.32 lakh tonnes (provisional) respectively.

(d) Under the centrally sponsored scheme on Sustainable Development of Sugarcane Based Cropping System (SUB-ACS) initiated in 1995-96, assistance is being provided to the State Government of Punjab for (i) Field demonstration (ii) Farmer's training (iii) State level training (iv) implements, both bullock drawn and tractor drawn (v) Tissue culture unit (vi) Bio-Pesticides unit (vii) Heat treatment plant (viii) Seed multiplication (ix) Drip infrastructure (x) Drip demonstration (xi) Productivity award (xii) Contingency.

For the purpose the Government of India released the entire outlay of Rs. 124.40 lakh (Central Share) to the State of Punjab during 1995-96 and also allocated Rs. 63.42 lakh (Central Share) to the State Government during 1996-97.

वर्ष के दौरान आवंटित चीनी की राज्य-वार मात्रा

2316. **श्री रामजीलाल :** क्या खाद्यमंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) विगत वर्ष राज्य-वार कितनी चीनी आवंटित की गई ;

(ख) क्या इस वर्ष सरकार चीनी का कोटा बढ़ाने का विचार रखती है;

(ग) क्या सरकार को इस बार की जानकारी है कि उपभोक्ता दुकानों पर उपलब्ध कराई जा रही चीनी घटिया किस्म की होती है;

(घ) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण है;

(च) यदि हां, तो गत एक वर्ष का तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा या है; और

(छ) राज्योम को चीनी कोटा आवंटन का मापदण्ड क्या है?

खाद्य मंत्री तथा नागरिक आपूर्ति, उपभोक्ता मामले और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री (श्री देवेन्द्र प्रासद यादव): (क) पिछले चीनी मौसम 1995-96 (अक्तूबर-सितम्बर) के दौरान (भारतीय चीनी मानक आई0एस0एस0) ग्रेड के सदृश आवंटित लेवी चीनी की राज्यवार मात्रा दर्शानेवाला ब्यौरा विवरण में दिया गया है। (नीचे देखिए)

(ख) चालू चीनी मौसम 1996-97 के दौरान सरकार ने दिसम्बर, 1996, जनवरी तथा फरवरी, 1997 महीनों के लिए सभी राज्यों/संघ राज्य क्षेत्रों के मसिक कोटे मेम 10% की तदर्थ वृद्वि की अनुमति प्रदान की है।

(ग) से (च) खाद्य मंत्रालय, राज्यों/संघ राज्य क्षेत्रों को केवल आई0एस0एस श्रेणी को लेवी चीनी आवंटित करता है तथा राज्यों/संघ राज्य क्षेत्रों में इसके वितरण की पूरी जिम्मेवारी राज्य सरकारों/संघ राज्य क्षेत्र प्रशासन की है। तथापि, हाल में उपभोक्ता दुकानों खराब किस्म की चीनी की उपलब्धता की कोई रिपोर्ट प्राप्त नहीं हुई है।

(छ) केन्द्र सरकार राज्यों/संघ राज्य क्षेत्रों को 1.1.1996 से, 1991 की जनगणना के जनसंख्या आकंड़ों के अनुसार, प्रति माह, प्रति व्यक्ति न्यूनतम 425 ग्राम चीनी की उपलब्ध सुनिश्चित करने के समान मानदंड पर आई0एस0एस0 श्रेणी की लेवी चीनी कोटे का आवंटन करती है।

Statement

The State-wise Monthly Quota of Levy Sugar and Festival Quota

(In M.T.)

SI. No.	States Union Territories	Monthly normal quota w.e.f. 1.2.87	Revised Monthly quota w.e.f. Jan. 96 (on the basis of 1991 Census) *****	Annua] festival quota ****
1.	Andhra Pradesh	25281	28267	7614
2.	Andaman Nicobar	247	282	74
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	314	366	94
4.	Assam	9617	9524	2896
5.	Bihar	33459	36707	10078
6.	Chandigarh	372	391	112
7.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	51	60	14
8.	Delhi	9921*	11973	2316
9.	Goa	500	508	150
10	Daman	24	26	12
11.	Diu	15	17	
12.	Gujarat	16194	17557	4878
13.	Haryana	6386	6996	1924
14.	Himachal Pradesh	2019	2197	608
15.	Jammu & Kashmir	3136**	3567	868
16.	Karnataka	17769	19117	5350
17.	Kerala	11953	12368	3600
18.	Lakshdweep	71	81	22
19.	Madhya Pradesh	25031	28127	7536
20.	Maharashtra	29938	33550	9014
21.	Manipur	694	782	208
22.	Meghalaya	662	752	200
23.	Mizoram	261	293	78
24.	Nagaland	426	542	128
25.	Orisssa	12393	13456	3730
26.	Pondicherry	305	360	64
27.	Karaikal	73	86	18
28.	Mahe	15	18	4
29.	Yanam	7	8	2
30.	Punjab	7945	8619	2392
31.	Rajasthan	16914	18704	5092
32.	Sikkim	165	174	50
33.	Tamil Nadu	22547	23741	6790
34.	Tripura	1001	l173	302

SI. No.	States/Union Territories	Monthly normal quota w.e.f. 1.2.87	Revised Monthly quota w.e.f. Jan. 96 (on the basis of 1991 Census) *****	Annual festival quota ****
35.	Uttar Pradesh	52926	59122	15936
36.	West Bengal	25888	28934	7796
37.	Bhutan	300	315	50
	GRAND TOTAL	334820	368760	100000

* w.e.f July, 1993

** w.e.f. Feb., 1994

*** Over and above 5% ad-hoc increase allowed from August, 1991 to March, 1994, withdrawn in April 1994 & again restored in September, 1995 and continued upto 31.12.1995.

**** This apart, the annual festival quota of all States'UTs was doubled for the calender year, 1996.

***** Besides, 10% ad-hoc increase over and above the monthly levy quota was allowed to all States-UTs for the months of December, 1996, January, 1997 and February, 1997.

Sugar Stock maintained by Government

2317. SHRI T.M. VENKATACHALAM: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the minimum sugar stock maintained by Government presently;

(b) whether the National Cooperative Sugar Mills Association has demanded for increasing the stocks;

(c) if so, the details and the response of the Government thereto; and

(d) quantum of Sugar Fund available with Government and the manner in which the surplus sugar fund is used?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV): (a) to (c) The National Federation of Cooperative Sugar Factories Ltd. had petitioned the Government on 12.6.1996 to create a Buffer Stocks of 20 lakh tonnes of Sugar. The period for which the Buffer Stock was to be created had not been mentioned.

Government have decided to extend the Buffer Stock of 5 lakh tonnes created for a period of one year from 10.1.96 by another year besides creating an additional buffer stock of 5 lakh tonnes of sugar for a period of one year from 1.12.1996.

(d) As on 31.12.1996, an amount of Rs. 854.58 Crores was available in the Sugar Development Fund. The Fund is to be utilised for the reimbursement of the carrying cost of the Buffer Stock including interest, storage and insurance charges, grants-in-aid for research schemes aimed at development of the Sugar Industry, loans for Cane Development, loans for modernisatioivrehabilita-tion of sugar milk, etc.